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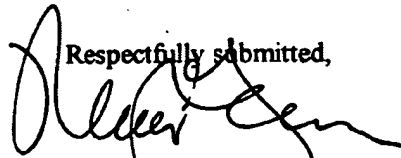
This paper is submitted as a response to the office action dated November 3, 2005 ("the office action"). Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct the required extension fee, and any other fees necessary for any reason relating to this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 to 1.21 from Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP Deposit Account No. 12-1322/021840.148US.

matter of claim 34, which has been canceled. Claim 35 has been amended to change its dependency to claim 32 following the deletion of claim 34.

***Conclusion***

As evidenced by the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants have made a genuine effort to address each issue raised in the office action. All of the pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney with any questions or comments.

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